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WHAT WE DON'T UNDERSTAND.

"I feel," said Governor McDonald in an address at Denning the other day, "that the new tax law is not fully understood."

Apparently there was a slight error in this feeling of the executive.

It is the administration of the tax law that is perhaps not entirely and clearly understood by the taxpayers. It is this lack of understanding which has resulted in the innumerable protests from all sections of the state against the manner in which the taxes are being assessed and collected this year. While these widespread protests are roughly classed by the governor under the head of notorious political agitation, it is feared that they are a trifle too widespread to be thus explained.

In this connection the governor may be assured that it is not political agitators who are stirring up the taxpayers of Bernalillo county to kick against being charged penalty for delinquent taxes when they are not allowed to pay the taxes. This is one very concrete instance of the lack of understanding on the part of the taxpayers. When they offer to pay their taxes, are told that the county is not ready to receive taxes and assured that meanwhile they will not be penalized, they cannot understand on what basis of rhyme or reason the governor's traveling auditor tells them that the attorney general doesn't know what he's talking about and penalties will be assessed whether the treasurer is ready to receive taxes or not.

There are numerous other phases of the taxation administration that the people cannot understand. If this lack of understanding is due to "political pirates" who want to "make a sensation," certainly we must have in New Mexico the basest and most ubiquitous little pirates that ever pirated.

THE RIGHT MAN.

In selecting Paul A. F. Walter as publicity man and "display manager" for New Mexico's great exhibit at the San Diego exposition, the New Mexico commission has shown considerable perspicacity. No man is better fitted for the position and better fitted to give New Mexico effective advertising, such as is planned to give her from now on until the exposition and during that event. Mr. Walter is a skilled publicity man and journalist, and what is more, is thoroughly posted on the things in New Mexico that are worth advertising and which will catch the eye and the attention of the tourist who comes eastward in 1915. Thousands of exposition travelers will come through this state in the next two years. It is a great opportunity, the opportunity of a lifetime, for New Mexico to lay her advantages and her beauties and her possibilities before a vast audience composed of the kind of people worth reaching.

Mr. Walter has a great opportunity and there is no doubt that he is precisely the man to make the most of this opportunity to reach New Mexico to the nation. Furthermore, the exposition commission is now the only organization in the state putting on any kind of an organized state-wide advertising campaign. The Herald has already pointed out how serious is the need of this state-wide advertising, largely for the lack of which New Mexico has made no increase in population during the past year.

The display at San Diego is to be the finest and most comprehensive exhibit ever put on by New Mexico. In conjunction with the publicity campaign, it means substantial results for the state in the next year or two.

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY.

Mineral Lodge No. 3, Knights of Pythias of this city has started to carry into effect plans for a big state-wide jubilee of the order in this city on February 19 next, on which date the national jubilee in honor of the fifth anniversary of the founding of the fraternity will be held.

There are some 2,000 members of the organization in New Mexico. It is expected that if proper work is done at least 1,500 visitors will come to Albuquerque to attend the celebration. It is another big opportunity for Albuquerque to make good as the

Convention City of the Southwest.

The Commercial club and citizens should co-operate in every possible way with the committee of Mineral Lodge in the preparations for this jubilee celebration. Let us go into this with the spirit of enthusiasm and wholeheartedness and make Albuquerque so popular with the members of the order throughout the state that they will want to come and hold a jubilee celebration every year. Every convention of this kind means more prosperity and more prestige for the biggest little city in the west. To make this one a conspicuous success is well worth any effort the city may need to make, and spending a little money on the proposition will be a well-earned investment.

Albuquerque will deeply regret the departure of Rabbi Mendel Silber, who comes from here to accept a call from a large congregation in New Orleans. Dr. Silber's broadly humanitarian ideas, culture, incisive thinking and graphic expression have made his sermons at Temple Albert unique and he has had a most helpful influence for the betterment of the community. He is essentially an upbuilder and optimist, and as he is still a young man his ambition and ability make his steady and rapid advancement certain. That his influence will be felt strongly in the larger southern city goes without saying.

The city is doing the proper thing in trying on a few fines for people who persist in violating the fire ordinance and dump their ashes next to the back fence or in an empty dry goods box. We hazard a guess that more fires have been started by hot ashes than in any other way in this town and a little care in this respect may save you from serious loss.

"Selfish human interests" says the governor, are at the bottom of the tax situation. This is a deplorable fact, plainly demonstrated by the selfish human way in which the people of this county are protesting against the inhuman practice of assessing penalty for delinquent taxes whose payment is not permitted.

CO-OPERATION IN ALASKA.

Co-operative stores, owned and managed by natives, are fostered wherever possible in Alaska by the United States bureau of education, which has charge of education for the natives of Alaska. In this way the bureau helps the natives protect themselves from those traders who charge exorbitant prices for food and clothing and pay as little as possible for native products. In the small villages even legitimate market expenses are a heavy burden unless there is some form of co-operation. These co-operative attempts have been a decided success. At Hydaburg, in southeastern Alaska, where the United States school teacher has general oversight of the co-operative stores, the natives were able, after twelve months of business, to declare a cash dividend of \$5 per cent. It will have funds available for the erection of a larger store building. The Klavick Commercial company, also under native management, was able after nine months of business to erect a new store building from its surplus. At Klukwan also the natives have organized a co-operative store.

Native stores have for several years been in successful operation at Cape Prince of Wales and on St. Lawrence island, where the natives buy food at reasonable prices and are assured an equitable exchange for their furs and other products.

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JABS In the Solar Plexus.

The Power of the Cold Fire.

Before our gaze a coal fire burns, And to the world a force returns Imparted through the ages past. It breaks the bonds by fate decreed. Strange alchemy that doth release The elements at man's expense. The substance of another age Conserved for sterner, saint and sage.

Long didst thou slumber in the earth, Dream thy soul's release, naught thy birth. In throes of pain thy body lay To comfort man at this late day.

Primal forests, grand and vast, The substance formed, they heat assuaged. Through nature's freaks thy being changed— Some think 'twas for our good arranged.

When thou dost burn as though in pain, Fantastic shapes some people see: Creations of fancy odd and queer, That in thy spirit still inhered.

With awe we view thy mystic flame, Before the earth thou wert the same. Well might a mortal worship thee. For what thou art and'er will be.

—E. B. in The Oklahoman.

With greatest awe and eke despair We gaze, Transfixed, And fear our hair: Perished by a deadly chill. As we behold the Coal Man's Bill!

INCIDENTALLY IT'S coming along that kind of weather when he sits in his dead-end work.

DENVER IS NOW able to offer additional inducements to the tourist. It also has the deepest snowdrifts in the country.

THE NEW YORK grand jury has already uncovered enough to indicate that all the rottenness is not confined to Denmark.

THE WEATHER MAN seems to be fishing for a Christmas present. At any rate he is doing his level best to make attempts.

KING WOODROW is not going to stand less majestic—especially regarding his much celebrated watchful-and-patient-waiting policy.

THE LEAST of our personal worries was the passing of the New Haven dividend.

A FAMOUS surgeon says the trend of the times is away from surgery. That looks hopeful for our appendix.

COLONEL ROOSEVELT has been presented with a horse. Too tame, too tame. He couldn't eat real healthy amusement of anything smaller than a dinosaur.

Lucky Adam. When Adam sat home from a party, One speech, near his pleasure could do. For dear father Eve never shouted at him. "You villain! Just look at the clock!"

And Adam had cause for rejoicing. The fact seemed as plain as can be. For when he arrived and said it was 7. The clock never struck a loud 8.

When Adam arrived in the a. m. A steady and staggering hub. He never treated a villain. By denying he'd been at the club.

You Sold an Armlet. She's far from feeling hearty, And sorrow fills her cup. She says a little party. It wasn't written up.

Bill Few Clothes. He said the other day he wouldn't put away his coat of the five to further the rest of his life.

"WE ARE going to send the crooked county officers to the pen," says the governor. This is a most commendable attitude. The grand jury and officials of San Miguel county will wish the governor all success in this work, in case the traveling auditor oversteps his crookedness in any county.

THE CALABAS might at least have left the Bull 'B' off the "Damen" in that rollicking song about the Philippines.

CALIFORNIA coal dealers, the government alleges, have made half a million out of short-weight swindles. Nobody loves a coal dealer, not even the gas-holder.

"THOSE WHO MAKE the most money are the biggest tax dodgers," says the governor. In this connection clearly he wishes to mention those taxes up in Quadra county that Mr. Ward got fussy about.

THE EXECUTIVE informed the people of Denning that a "new political party" wish to make a "sensation." Then, private again—he thought they had all "skipped the blank months ago."

THE WEATHER man also thought it wise to begin his Christmas showing early.

DAILY THE juvenile Glee spreads further round. The choir. Soon will be ushering Santa Claus in.

Some Items by Alfalfa Bill, Jr.

(St. John's Ark, Herald.)

Peorosa Dixon, who has been rustling at Safford's ranch, is again in town. His numerous aliases as secretary of the Springfield Socialist local necessitates his presence here occasionally. The distinguished Socialist rode into town on a dark colored horse but he hopes to ride some day with "Peorosa."

There's a girl in Springfield who keeps chocolate bonbons without taking the gum out of her mouth.

The Christmas Endeavor society of the Springfield church had a very good meeting last Sunday. The choir was and the singing was splendid.

Jimmy Brown is back from the wild west. He was on at Indianapolis one day and just about got run over by the street cars and automobiles. It must be a trick in the city and he was able to cross the street without jumping out of the way of something.

You kin have fresh onions almost anytime at the Reagan Hotel. On Wednesday and Sunday nights they serve 'em with peppermint drops.

The Prince of Monaco reports that he was unable to find any real cowboys in the west. He didn't see Paul Ruth.

A party of tourists had an experience in the White mountains that they will never forget. They left Springfield on their way to the White mountains and got snow bound near Sheep Springs. Two young men from the outfit walked back to Springfield for assistance and when a wagon with provisions got to the party they were hibernating their last morsel of three peanuts apiece. Mr. Becker went up in his auto and after walking three miles in the snow he found the party and brought 'em all back. They were some profuse in their gratitude and cherished the opinion that Mr. Becker was sure a heap accommodatin'.

Mr. Becker is a whole lot correct and are considerable Mississippian-like when it comes to pickin' out another man who has worked so hard and in so many ways for good 'olds as Mr. Becker.

Harry Becker, he says mail your Christmas packages early. Ben Blankenship, his assistant, will like the stamps for ladies.

Christmas is about here. Kin any one remember John Allen's stockin' out to hold a cord of wood already chopped?

SHORT CIRCUITS.

The importation of India rubber into the United States during the year ended June 30, 1913, amounted to 112,000,000 pounds, which sets a new record for quantity, although the value, \$101,000,000, was somewhat less than for the previous year.

The passage of an electric current over a wire always results in some heat. On ordinary circuits this heat is very small and easily radiates away in electric cooking and heating apparatus special heat producing wires are used to change the electricity into heat.

The cable between the United States and Honolulu cost \$20,000,000. The two stations could be connected by wires for \$200,000 for one-fourth as much. The cost of operation and upkeep is about the same in either case. This illustrates the economy of wireless for all marine work.

The second hydroelectric plant at the Tennessee power company, the principal operating subsidiary of the Tennessee Railway, Light & Power company, was placed in operation on May 22. The construction of the plant was done by the U. S. White engineering corporation and together with the first plant, will ultimately produce 65,000 horsepower. The two plants have been built at about \$5,000,000.

The capacity of the new plant is 25,000 horsepower and the current is transmitted over a high-tension line to Nashville.

The proposed imposition of a tax on the importation of bananas has served to draw attention to the remarkable organization of the business of transporting bananas. The fruit is packed while green and rushed to market in a day or two. It is a business of transportation organized that millions of bananas are brought down the tropics and sold so cheaply that they are a real treat of all.

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STATE GAME LAW STILL REMAINS IN FORCE

Ignore Federal Law, Instructions to Local Warden Received from Santa Fe.

"Follow the present state law," was the telephoned instruction received today by Deputy Game Warden Tony Ortiz from the state game warden's office in Santa Fe. Ortiz is instructed that for the present no attention is to be paid to the federal statute regarding migratory birds which has become a subject of controversy in the minds of the various state game laws.

"I have been answering about a thousand questions concerning the matter," said Ortiz today, from sportsmen who want to know which law they must go by. The state warden's office says to follow the state law to that ends the matter for the present. This means that hunters may shoot quail until January 31 and ducks and geese until March 31.

The federal law which has caused all the confusion in the minds of the sportsmen closed the season on ducks, geese, and quail today, December 15.

PERSONALS.

Miss Lou Hughes will leave tonight for Denver, where she will spend the winter visiting her sister, Mrs. C. C. Watson. Miss Hughes will be accompanied by her brother-in-law, O. C. Watson, whose recent promotion to the management of the United Life Insurance company's interests in Colorado takes his headquarters to Denver. Mr. Watson has been paying a farewell visit to Santa Fe.

King C. Gillette, the millionaire manufacturer of the Gillette safety razor, was in the city this morning on his way to Los Angeles where he makes his home.

C. W. Correll of Portales is in Albuquerque today looking after business matters.

Abraham Lincoln Circle, Ladies of the G. A. R., will meet in regular session Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. Walker on South Third street. Business of importance will be transacted. By order of the president, Mrs. Helbe Bryant.

John Bush, Jr., is reported suffering with a severe case of blood poisoning at his home at 718 South Third street. The young man ran a rusty nail into his foot and will not be able to walk, according to his physician, for a week or ten days.

Mrs. M. L. Stern and daughter are in Denver, where they will spend the holidays with relatives. They were accompanied to Denver by Mr. Stern, who returned yesterday, reporting the great show stunts there the most severe he has ever seen.

V. W. Bracher, formerly with the Santa Fe at La Jolla, has arrived in Albuquerque and will become chief clerk to Master Mechanic McMorris at the hotel shop.

ELLA FLAGG YOUNG'S SUCCESSOR REQUESTED TO GO CHASE SELF.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—John D. Shoop, whose appointment as superintendent of schools to succeed Mrs. Ella Flagg Young raised a storm of protest, today received a committee of women sent to various city organizations to ask him to resign. The delegation was headed by Mrs. George W. Bass, president of the San Chicago Woman's club. A courteous reception was given the women by Mr. Shoop, who declined, however, to offer any reply.

LADY WILDCATS DO DEPLORABLE DAMAGE TO BEAUTIFUL CHURCH

Liverpool, Dec. 16.—The suffragette arson squad today did extensive damage to St. Anne's church here. The statue on the south side of the church was destroyed and the splendid organ was seriously damaged. Extensive damage was done through a stained glass window which the suffragettes smashed. The organ suffragette literature was scattered about the place to incite the crowd to the fire was intended as a protest against the government's treatment of Mrs. Pankhurst.

Shot Holding Up Auto. Brookfield, Ill., Dec. 16.—A woman who held up an automobile near here this afternoon was shot in the chest by police of La Grange and a deputy a few minutes after the attempted robbery. In an exchange of shots between the robber and the officers, a section held on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railway was seriously injured.

Miss Wornser Weds in Switzerland. St. Moritz, Switzerland, Dec. 16.—The wedding of Miss Edith Wornser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Wornser, of New York, and Mr. Martin Wornser, of Zurich, took place here today with the parents and several other relatives of the bride in attendance.

Escapes through rapidly falling almost driven mad. For quick relief, Dean's Ointment is well recommended. See it at all stores.

Red Barn and Shorts, \$1.50 100 pounds, cash price, E. W. Fee.

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"BEAR CAT" BREAKS TURKEY RECORD

(From the Gallup Independent.) "Bear Cat" Ben Wilson put a crimp in marston turkey shooting at the Gibson shoot last Sunday. He went out to the shoot in the morning with a hundred rounds of ammunition. At about dark that day he came walking over the hill from the killing camp, leading fourteen dead turkeys, the largest number of the birds ever killed by any one in Gallup at a single shoot. He was met at the top of the hill by an independent reporter and when asked as to what he intended to do with all of that gobbling flesh and feathers he replied: "Just putting in a winter supply for the little cubs."

The large number of birds killed by Wilson last Sunday is considered remarkable under the circumstances. The ground was covered with snow and a good aim was very difficult.

First-class turnouts, Trimble Heavy. Red Barn, 211 W. Copper. Phone 3.

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